BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 12 111 1 18

In Re:

UNIVERSAL SERVICE GENERIC CONTESTED CASE

Docket No. 97-00888

PETITION OF THE TENNESSEE CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

The Tennessee Cable Telecommunications Association ("TCTA"), pursuant to TCA Section 4-5-310, and the Rules of the Tennessee Department of State Administrative Procedures Division, Chapter 1360-4-1-.12, petitions to intervene in the above-referenced proceeding, and in support of its petition states as follows:

- 1. The TCTA is a trade organization whose membership consists primarily of owners and operators of franchised cable televisions systems throughout the State of Tennessee.
- 2. Presently, some TCTA members either hold a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide telecommunication services throughout the State of Tennessee, or intend to make application to provide services in all geographic locations permitted by law.
- 3. The TCTA member, as certificated entities authorized to provide telecommunication services, legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests or responsibilities will be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding.
- 4. The TCTA's participation will not impair the interest of justice of the orderly and prompt conduct of the Authority's proceeding.
 - 5. The TCTA seeks to intervene and participate as its interest may appear.

6. This petition to intervene is being filed at least seven (7) days before the hearing of this cause.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Tennessee Cable Telecommunications Association prays that it be granted leave to intervene and participate in this proceeding with all attendant rights and responsibilities, and to receive copies of any notices, orders or any other documents filed herein, and have such other, further and general relief as the justice of its cause may entitle to receive.

This the \square^k Day of August, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The parties to this proceeding have not yet been identified. As a courtesy, the Petition of the Tennessee Cable Telecommunication Association for Leave to Intervene has been delivered by U.S. Mail to counsel for anticipated participants as follows:

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ORDER GRANTING THE TENNESSEE CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION LEAVE TO INTERVENE	
THIS MATTER came to be heard on the petition	of the Tennessee Cable
Telecommunications Association ("TCTA") for leave to interver	ne and participate in this
proceeding as its interests may appear, and it appearing to the Author	ity that this proceeding and
the actions which may be taken by the Authority herein may effect or	r determine the legal rights
and duties of the TCTA, and that the interest of justice and the order	erly and prompt conduct of
this proceeding will not be impaired by allowing such intervention,	
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Tennessee C	able Telecommunications
Association be in the same and is hereby granted leave to interve	ene and participate in the
proceeding with all rights and responsibilities of an intervenor and a	s a party in this matter.
This the Day of August, 1997.	
CHAIRMAN	
ATTEST:	

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY